

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 5, please substitute only full paragraph with the following paragraph:

-- Other copolymerizable monomer can be copolymerized in such a range as not to deteriorate the copolymer characteristics, for example, in a proportion of 30 wt. % or less on the basis of the copolymer. Such copolymerizable monomer includes, for example, a vinyl compound such as styrene, vinyltoluene, α -methylstyrene, vinylnaphthalene, acrylonitrile, methacrylonitrile, acetone acrylamide, ~~isoprene, pentadiene, butadiene,~~ 2-hydroxyethyl acrylate, 4-hydroxybutyl acrylate, 2-hydroxy-3-chloropropyl (meth)acrylate, polyethyleneglycol mono(meth)acrylate, polypropyleneglycol mono(meth)acrylate, vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, vinyl fluoride, vinylidene fluoride, 2-chloroethyl vinyl ether, 2-hydroxyethyl vinyl ether, 4-hydroxybutyl vinyl ether, etc., and a diolefin such as isoprene, pentadiene, butadiene, etc.--